CHAPTER NO. 950

SENATE BILL NO. 3262

By Kyle, Person, Dixon, Ford, Leatherwood, Miller, Cohen, Harper

Substituted for: House Bill No. 3313

By Ulysses Jones, Haley, Chumney, Miller, Hassell, Brooks, Lois DeBerry, Towns, Pleasant,

John DeBerry, Bowers, Cooper, Scroggs, Larry Turner, Armstrong, Kernell, Kent, Rinks, Kisber, Hargrove, Walley, Mr. Speaker Naifeh

AN ACT To designate State Highway 385 in Shelby County as the "Bill Morris Parkway".

WHEREAS, The designation of a road in honor of a citizen is one of the best ways to permanently recognize and commemorate his or her contribution to the betterment of his or her community and this state; and

WHEREAS, Bill Morris, who served with distinction as mayor of Shelby County for sixteen years, is unquestionably deserving of this form of special recognition; and

WHEREAS, Bill Morris also astutely served the citizens of Shelby County as sheriff before his election to the office of mayor; and

WHEREAS, State Highway 385 was constructed largely through the indefatigable leadership, guidance and force of will of Bill Morris; and

WHEREAS, State Highway 385 is an important commercial passage for Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that this General Assembly pause in its deliberations to permanently commemorate the efforts of this noble citizen; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of the law to the contrary, State Highway 385 in Shelby County is hereby designated as the "Bill Morris Parkway" in recognition of his indelible commitment to public service.

SECTION 2. The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating State Highway 385 in Shelby County as the "Bill Morris Parkway".

SECTION 3. The erection of such signs and markers shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 5. The provisions of this act shall take effect September 1, 1998, the public welfare requiring it, unless by September 1, 1998, the county legislative body of Shelby County by a majority vote disapproves of the designation of State Highway 385 in Shelby County as the "Bill Morris Parkway" and the legislative body of Shelby County by

a majority vote approves a suitable marker or memorial commemorating the public service of Bill Morris.

PASSED: April 29, 1998

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER

APPROVED this 11th day of May 1998

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